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**THE COLUMBIA INSTITUTION
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*TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
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Assistant professor of drawing and applied art.—Hazel T. Craig, B. S., M. A.

Assistant professor of mathematics.—Percival Hall, Jr., B. S., M. A.

Assistant professor of mathematics and Latin.—Walter J. Krug, M. A.

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Instructor in mathematics and speech.—Elizabeth E. Benson, M. A.

Instructor in domestic science and gymnastics.—Ruth R. Remsberg, M. A.

Instructor in Latin.—William J. McClure, M. A.

Assistant in drawing.—Fred L. Sparks, Jr., B. S.

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DEPARTMENT OF ARTICULATION AND NORMAL INSTRUCTION, 1937-38

In charge.—Sam B. Craig, M. A., assistant professor of education.

Instructors.—Sam B. Craig, M. A.; Helen Fay, M. A.; Elizabeth Peet, M. A., Ped. D.; Charles Rawlings, M. S.

Normal Fellows.—Virginia Baughman, B. A.; Valentine Becker, B. A.; Jonathan Hall, B. A.; Lloyd Harrison, B. A.; Myron Leenhouts, B. A.; Fred L. Sparks, B. S.; Archibald Walker, B. A.; Margaret Yoder, B. A.; Charles Rawlings, M. S.

FACULTY OF KENDALL SCHOOL

President.—Percival Hall, M. A., Litt. D., L. H. D.

Principal.—Sam B. Craig, M. A.

Instructors.—Helen Fay, M. A.; Grace Ely, B. A.; Margaret Daniels; Marianna N. White; Ellen P. Stewart, B. Ph.; Otis C. Findley; Charles Rawlings, M. S.; LeVere Smith, B. S.; Mary C. Lamb; Valentine Becker, B. A.

Instructor in art and manual training.—Gertrude D. Hooper.

* Deceased.

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT

Business manager.—Louis L. Hooper, M. A.
Attending physician.—H. H. Donnally, M. D.
Dentist.—W. R. McLister, D. D. S.
Matron.—Cora V. Troup.
Matron, Kendall School boys.—Hattie Baker.
Matron, Kendall School girls.—Katie B. Evans.
Girls' supervisor.—Ruth Atkins.
Boys' supervisor.—Lloyd Harrison, B. A.
Master of shop.—Norman Herrington.
Gardener.—John Sartain.
Farm manager.—George R. Stuntz, B. S.
Chief engineer.—W. J. Muir.

LIST OF STUDENTS FOR 1937-38*The Normal Department*

Arizona.—Valentine Becker.
District of Columbia.—Jonathan Hall.
Illinois.—Charles Rawlings.
Indiana.—Margaret Yoder.
Kentucky.—Virginia Baughman, Archibald Walker.
Missouri.—Lloyd Harrison.
New York.—Myron Leenhouts.
South Carolina.—Fred L. Sparks, Jr.

Gallaudet College

Alabama.—Albert, May, Tate, Tharp.
Arkansas.—N. Brown, Collums, Drake, Henson, Lowman.
California.—Arbuckle, Brother, Clingenpeel, Fong, Hahn, Jacobs, C. Marshall,
J. Miller, White.
Colorado.—Billings, R. Brown, Culbertson, Stotts, Wolach.
Connecticut.—Clark, Shaw.
District of Columbia.—Baer, Zimmermann.
Florida.—Reeves.
Illinois.—Clements, Conway, Duick, Hoehn, Janulis, Reidelberger, Stiarwalt,
Tubergen, Warshawsky.
Iowa.—K. Miller, Orr.
Indiana.—Breedlove, Gipson, Glancy, Kennedy, Lankenau, Phillips.
Kansas.—Benoit, Gaunce.
Kentucky.—Stevens.
Louisiana.—Atwood, Gremillion.
Maine.—Sampson.
Maryland.—Blumenthal, Hughes, Manahan.
Michigan.—Davies, Henji, Lako sky.
Minnesota.—Corneliussen, Domich, Eiler, Gamst, Grenier, Hess, Latz, Nelson,
Perzynski, Schiller, Seebach, Tibbets.
Mississippi.—Byars, Cobb.
Missouri.—Ashe, Baker, Brannan, Stack, Weeks.
Montana.—Reinke, Sabins, Sullivan.
Nebraska.—Moran.
Nevada.—Lewis, Sanderson.

New Jersey.—Blindt, Lisnay, Silverman.

New Mexico.—Dillon.

New York.—Auerbach, Byrne, Cassetti, Coriale, Koob, B. Marshall, Mazur, Schreiber.

North Carolina.—M. Brown, Dickson, Redfearn.

North Dakota.—Berg, Erickson, Jorde, Rafferty.

Ohio.—McClish.

Oklahoma.—McMennamy, Steele, Strickland.

Oregon.—Magee.

Pennsylvania.—Hunter, Ludovico, Mrkobrad, Pitzer.

South Carolina.—Ammons, Robinson.

South Dakota.—Berke, Doering, Hanson, Johnson.

Tennessee.—Akin.

Texas.—Mathies.

Utah.—Jones, Rogerson, Walker.

Virginia.—Forehand.

Washington.—Ohlson.

Wisconsin.—H. Lewis, P. Long, V. Long, Nogosek, Morehouse, Ravn, Zola.

Wyoming.—Rogers,

Kendall School

District of Columbia.—Adams, Barber, Barker, Beavers, Beckert, Berrios, Berrios, Bowling, Bowling, Brodkin, Brown, Burgee, Cappola, Chaconas, Clements, Cohen, Colbert, Copeland, Corman, Crumpler, Darley, Davidson, Dizon, Dye, Ebert, Fewel, Fleischer, Folsom, Hale, Hanson, Hatch, Henry, Hillengas, Holtzclaw, Holtzman, Jarboe, Juenemann, Lauck, Lomonosoff, Magee, Manookian, Melvin, Minor, Moore, Murphy, O'Hagan, Padow, Rabbitt, Rice, Rivera, Rose; Scanlon, Schlegel, Scott, Scott, Sheriff, Sisson, Smoak, Smoak, Sotirakos, Stewart, Travland, Tsoulias, Val, Watson, Winstead, Wood, Wood.

Maryland.—Barnett, Conger.

Virginia.—Poe.

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COLUMBIA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF,

KENDALL GREEN,

Washington, D. C., August 31, 1938.

Sir: During the fiscal year July 1, 1937, through June 30, 1938, there were under instruction in the advanced department of the institution, known as Gallaudet College, 82 men and 52 women, a total of 134, representing 39 states and the District of Columbia. This is a decrease of 7 as compared with the preceding year.

In the primary and grammar department, known as the Kendall School, there were under instruction 32 boys and 41 girls, a total of 73. This is a decrease of 1 as compared with the preceding year. Of the total in this department, 70 were admitted as beneficiaries of the District of Columbia.

There were admitted to the institution 28 males and 23 females; discharged, 17 males and 15 females.

HEALTH

The health record of pupils and students for the year was an excellent one. A fracture of the small bone in the leg from a fall and an abscess of the hip were the only two surgical cases of any consequence among the whole student body. There were no cases of serious contagious disease throughout the whole school year. Regular exercise (including supervised sports), abundant supply of pure milk, regular hours, and careful medical examinations and inoculations against diphtheria, typhoid, and scarlet fever no doubt account for this good record.

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION

As predicted in the last annual report, instruction was resumed in architectural drawing and a special course was given in statistics and

their graphical representation. A course in principles of teaching, begun a year ago, was continued with success.

NEEDS OF THE INSITUTION

The most pressing need of the institution from a material standpoint is the memorial building, planned in memory of Dr. Edward Miner Gallaudet, which will house the library, printing office, new laboratories, recitation rooms, and an exhibition room. A study by skilled engineers shows that we have sufficient boiler capacity in our power house to take care of such a building, and a new connection with the Potomac Electric Power Company's city lines (with abandonment of production of current by our own machinery) has given us a sufficient supply of electric current to take care of the lighting of new buildings. An addition has been made to the sorting room at our laundry, electric irons installed, and improved fixtures with better lighting facilities have been devised for the library and men's reading room. There is, however, need for more funds for improved laundry machinery and for the continuation of the revision of the lighting, by the removal of old and dangerous wires and replacement with new material. An addition to the old laboratory building, a new basketball floor for the present gymnasium, and new units for the Kendall School dormitories and school rooms, with two new cottages for instructors, should all be provided for in the not too distant future. No buildings have been provided for our institution during the past twenty years.

The only funds on hand at the present time for construction are approximately \$60,000 in gifts from the students and friends of the institution toward the memorial building mentioned above. In the fall of 1938, all dormitory space for the advanced department will be filled, and the dormitory for the girls in the Kendall School is already badly crowded. This makes the need for carrying out our building program all the more pressing.

RESEARCH WORK

As mentioned in our last report, an important research problem has been going on under Prof. Sam B. Craig, of our faculty, financed by a small gift from the National Research Council. This is a study of the medium or media of communication most easily understood by deaf students. It is being very carefully carried out through motion pictures

and regular tests of the intelligibility of manual spelling, speech, and a combination of spelling and speech. This study should be completed during the next fiscal year.

There are many other important problems to be studied in the education of the deaf, and the schools of the country look to our institution for leadership in this field. During the year, provision has been made for a research worker for 1938-39. Several problems will be considered, including a study of the language of hearing children compared with that of deaf children, a survey of the hearing and eyesight of the students and pupils of this institution, and a survey of employment conditions of the deaf in the District of Columbia. This type of work should be continued and expanded in our institution because of the great need for it and because our institution furnishes the best location in this country for study and the best cross-section of deaf students to be found in any part of the world.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

On April 8, 1864, President Abraham Lincoln signed the bill allowing the Columbia Institution for the Deaf to give collegiate degrees. A special gathering was held in that year to celebrate the inauguration of the collegiate department, and teaching was started in the fall with a small number of young deaf men. Since that time, approximately two thousand students have entered the college, including young women, who were first admitted in 1887. A Normal Department was established in 1891, which has graduated over two hundred hearing persons. A large percentage of these have become prominent in the education of the deaf throughout the country. Several hundred of the graduates of the college are engaged in teaching the deaf, and from a survey made a little over a year ago, it is evident that over 90% of the former students of the college are self-supporting. They are engaged not only in teaching but also in many professions and many types of business.

It is the intention of the Board of Directors to have special Commencement exercises next June to have a meeting of the alumni in the same month, and in October to sponsor a meeting of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf.

SPECIAL GIFTS

A gift of \$5,000 was received during the year from the estate of

Mr. Thomas S. Marr, well known deaf architect, for the establishment of a scholarship bearing his name.

Further gifts were received from Mrs. Olof Hanson for a prize to be given in memory of her husband.

The Gallaudet Memorial Building Fund has continued to accumulate interest earned until it has amounted to over \$60,000.

***COMBINED STATEMENT OF THE BUSINESS
MANAGER AND THE TREASURER OF
RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1938***

RECEIPTS

	Appropriated Funds	Special Deposits	Total
United States appropriations -----	\$145,000.00		\$145,000.00
Payment by District of Columbia -----		\$35,500.00	35,500.00
Sundry receipts -----		9,797.16	9,797.16
Balance on hand July 1, 1937 -----		1,992.55	1,992.55
Total -----	\$145,000.00	\$47,289.71	\$192,289.71

EXPENSES

Personal services -----	\$ 96,039.00	\$13,957.00	\$109,996.00
Supplies and materials -----	23,247.00	18,973.00	42,220.00
Subsistence and care of animals and vehicles -----	128.00	639.00	767.00
Communication service -----	358.00	437.00	795.00
Travel expenses -----	24.00	213.00	237.00
Transportation of things -----	34.00		34.00
Printing and binding -----	120.00	464.00	584.00
Furnishing heat, light, etc. -----	416.00	415.00	831.00
Repairs and alterations -----	20,857.00	4,094.00	24,951.00
Special and miscellaneous -----	214.00	468.00	682.00
Plant and equipment -----	299.00	2,132.00	2,431.00
Stores purchased for resale -----	9.00	2,132.00	2,141.00
Total -----	\$141,745.00	\$43,924.00	\$185,669.00
Reserve returned to Treasury -----	3,255.00		3,255.00
Balance on hand June 30, 1938-----		3,365.71	3,365.71
Grand total -----	\$145,000.00	\$47,289.71	\$192,289.71

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INVESTED FUNDS

General Fund:

Balance on hand July 1, 1937 -----	\$ 4,403.59
Receipts from investments -----	297.03
Total -----	\$ 4,700.62

Expenses: Treasurer's bond -----	\$ 100.00
National Research expense -----	24.00
Safety deposit box -----	8.25
Survey of power plant -----	250.00
Auditing -----	60.00
Rubber stamps -----	2.00
Bonds purchased -----	\$2,953.40
Total -----	\$3,397.65
Balance -----	\$ 1,302.97

Balance available in bank June 30, 1938 -----	\$ 905.70
Balance in closed bank -----	397.27

Total -----	\$ 1,302.97
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Manual Labor Fund:

Balance on hand July 1, 1937 -----	\$ 3,025.36
Interest and receipts from coupons -----	318.36
Total -----	\$ 3,343.72

Expenses: Bonds purchased -----	\$ 1,990.00
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Balance -----	\$ 1,353.72
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Balance available in bank June 30, 1938 -----	\$ 793.82
Balance in closed bank -----	559.90

Total -----	\$ 1,353.72
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Memorial Art Fund:

Balance on hand July 1, 1937 -----	\$ 436.74
Interest and receipts from coupons -----	27.79
Total -----	\$ 464.53

Balance available in bank -----	\$ 371.60
Balance in closed bank -----	92.93

Total -----	\$ 464.53
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A. B. Greener Fund:

Balance on hand July 1, 1937 -----	\$ 25.71
Interest and receipts from coupons -----	4.39
Total -----	\$ 30.10

Available balance in bank -----	\$ 27.70
Balance in closed bank -----	2.40

Total -----	\$ 30.10
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Olof Hanson Service Award Fund:

Balance on hand July 1, 1937	\$ 400.00
Additional gift	300.00
Interest	9.34

Total	\$ 709.34
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Expenditure: Award for the year to Norman Brown	9.34
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Balance available in bank	\$ 700.00
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Educational Campaign Fund:

Balance on hand July 1, 1937	\$ 256.14
Additional principal received	100.00
Interest	5.21

Total	\$ 361.35
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Expenditure	\$ 100.00
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Balance available in bank	\$ 261.35
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Thomas S. Marr Scholarship Fund:

Legacy received	\$ 5,000.00
Income from investments	44.84

Total	\$ 5,044.84
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Expenditures: Bonds purchased	\$4,977.50
Scholarship award to Conley Akin	44.84

Total	\$5,022.34	\$ 5,022.34
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Balance available in bank	\$ 22.50
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Gallaudet Memorial Building Fund:

Balance in closed bank	\$ 79.59
Balance in Hamilton National Bank	15,418.41
Par value of bonds	48,000.00
Par value of stock	120.00

Total	\$63,618.00
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EXERCISES OF PRESENTATION DAY

The seventy-fourth commencement of the collegiate department was held in the College Chapel on Saturday, June 4. The invocation was offered by Rev. Franklin C. Smielau, Episcopal Minister to the Deaf, Tampa, Florida.

The members of the graduating class giving orations, and the names of the orations, were as follows:

Vivian Byars, of the State of Mississippi, "Adaptability of the Constitution."

Ethel Koob, of the State of New York, "Public Education and the United States Constitution."

Norman Brown, of the State of Arkansas, the Valedictory.

The following candidates were granted degrees:

MASTER OF ARTS IN THE NORMAL DEPARTMENT

Virginia Baughman, B. A., Brenau College.

Jonathan Hall, B. A., Rollins College.

Lloyd Abner Harrison, B. A., Southeast Missouri State Teachers College.

Myron A. Leenhouts, B. A., Hope College.

Fred LaFayette Sparks, Jr., B. S., Clemson College.

Archibald Woods Walker, B. A., Centre College.

Margaret Louise Yoder, B. A., DePauw University.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Otto Benjamin Berg, North Dakota.

Alvin Richart Brother, California.

James Newton Collums, Arkansas.

George Richard Culbertson, Colorado.

Leo Marcus Jacobs, California.

Ethel M. Koob, New York.

Bertha C. Marshall, New York.

Ida Silverman, New Jersey.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Eli Conley Akin, Tennessee.

Nannie Vivian Byars, Mississippi.

Norman Shirley Brown, Arkansas.

Raco Fred Drake, Arkansas.

Henry James Reidelberger, Illinois.

HONORARY DEGREES

Master of Letters.—Howard Leslie Terry, California.

Master of Pedagogy.—Winfield Scott Runde, California.

The address to the graduating class and friends of the college was delivered by the Honorable H. Jerry Voorhis, Representative in Congress from California.

Rev. Arthur D. Bryant pronounced the benediction.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PERCIVAL HALL, *President.*

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.